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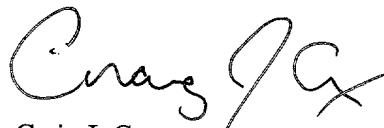
Enclosed are the following papers for filing a Provisional patent application under 37 CFR 1.53 (c) entitled, **LEARNING STATE MACHINE FOR USE IN INTERNET PROTOCOL NETWORKS** the inventor of which is Robert Daniel Maher, III et al..

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1. Specification and Claims consisting of 19 pages including an abstract, 1 independent claim, and 4 dependent claims, and 6 informal drawing sheets;
2. A check in the amount of \$75.00 Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27 provisional application filing fee;
3. Provisional Patent Application Cover Sheet
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